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NEW SUMMARY:

The federal prosecution of Robert Donovan was resolved today under an agreement wherein Donovan paid a \$2,500 fine and the criminal charge was dismissed, U.S. Attorney Steven Biskupic announced today.

Donovan initially was charged with allegedly defrauding the Department of Housing and Urban Development by concealing the fact that his wife had received funds from Milwaukee Alliance, a non-profit group founded by Donovan and which was seeking \$200,000 in HUD funds. Donovan had entered a not guilty plea to the charge and a trial was scheduled to begin on December 5, 2005. Donovan faced up to one year in jail under the original charge.

Under a written agreement filed in court, Donovan agreed that Milwaukee Alliance should go out of business and that Donovan will have no association with non-profit agencies for two years.

The written agreement also contained a stipulation of facts, including that records of Milwaukee Alliance had been altered and that money had been commingled with Donvoan's campaign funds.

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